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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
GROUP 2834
PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Hitoshi ISODA, et al.

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For: ROTOR FOR ROTATING ELECTRIC MACHINE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 17, 2006, reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully requested. Claims 1-3 and 5-14 are all the claims pending in the application. Claims 1-3 and 5-7 are allowed. Claims 11-13 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claims 8-10 and 14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hayashi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,536,987; hereafter "Hayashi") in view of Umeda et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,097,130; hereafter "Umeda"). Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.